



Reclaiming Futures Seattle-King County was one of the original 10 projects funded by The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation to help teens in trouble with drugs, alcohol and crime. We have partnered with the courts, treatment facilities, juvenile justice centers, and community to meet the urgent needs of these young people in our juvenile justice system.

Here is a snapshot of the issues teens in our juvenile justice system face:

Race:	25.4% Caucasian, 22.2% African American, 3.2% Asian Pacific Islander, 3.7% American Indian, 32.2% multiple race, 8% Hispanic
Age:	11-12=1.5% , 13-14 = 16.3%, 15-16=50.5%, 17-18=30%
Gender	27.3% female, 71.2% male
Education	22.4% are failing school; 28% have been in trouble at school
HIV Risk	69.7% are high or moderate risk for HIV exposure
Homelessness	28% have been homeless during past 13 months
Recovery Environment	22% indicated weekly alcohol use in the home, 17.8% indicated weekly drug use in the home, 20% indicated weekly family problems,
Mental Health needs:	11% expressed suicidal thoughts or actions 30% indicated symptoms of Major Depressive Disorder, 59% indicated high levels of anxiety
Victimization:	52% indicated high severity of victimization
Substance Use History:	27% diagnosed dependent, 53% indicate daily use primary drug of choice - 7% alcohol only, 6% alcohol w/other drugs, 3% cocaine, 2% heroin & other opiates, 41% marijuana, 12% methamphetamine

Demographics for population of focus King County GAIN Data 2004-2008 N=410

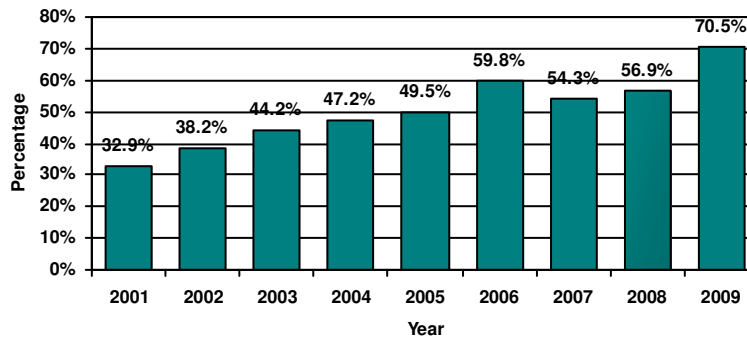
Through Reclaiming Futures Seattle-King County, we are helping these teens by improving the quality of substance use disorder treatment services in our justice system by making institutional changes that included the following:

- Provide comprehensive screening and assessments to all young people in our publicly funded system using electronic GAIN tools
- Provide adolescent specific evidence based treatment models
- Provide additional supports to juvenile justice youth experiencing co-occurring mental health issues
- Provide a sustainable Mentor Program focused on the needs of substance abusing youthful offenders
- Provide High Fidelity Wraparound model to nurture and support these youth on probation and beyond
- Celebrate successes to honor young people making progress and when reclaimed by their community.

Success

Because of the Reclaiming Futures model, our adolescent treatment system has improved as measured by overall increased retention and completion rates in treatment. It has transitioned from anecdotal stories of treatment gaps and successes to data from the GAIN and our state data system providing evidence to the powerful stories. In fact, our site was awarded the 2007 SAMHSA Science to Service Award for Treatment. Our continued success due to this infrastructure change has provided King County the ability to apply and be successful in the submission of federal grants.

Youth Treatment Completion



Sustainability

King County is committed to the Reclaiming Futures model. We have sustained and expanded the model beyond juvenile justice youth, to all young people served in our system. Reclaiming Futures is currently the way we operate and provide ongoing quality assurance within the adolescent treatment system. Post RWJF funding Reclaiming Futures is sustained demonstrated by the following:

- 1) The project director is sustained and institutionalized as the "Science to Service" coordinator
- 2) The model is integrated into our county Policies and Procedures and workforce training plan for youth counselors; and the model is a paradigm for the county RFP's and Strategic Plan.

We thank our core partners:

Clergy, Community, Children/Youth Coalition Division of Child and Family Services Department of Adult and Juvenile Detention Juvenile Rehabilitation Administration Mentoring Program King County Superior Court King County Youth and Family Services King County Department of Community and Human Services King County Prosecuting Attorney's Office	Mental Health, Chemical Abuse and Dependency Service Division Puget Sound Education Service District Seattle Human Services Society of Counsel Representing Accused Persons Special Populations Alliance The Defender Association United Voice of King County Parents University of Washington
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